

# RED BULL CRASHED ICE 2015– FAQ

## ABOUT THE SPORT

### WHAT IS RED BULL CRASHED ICE?

The sport is Ice Cross Downhill; Red Bull Crashed Ice is the series. It is a combination of hockey, boarder cross, and downhill skiing. Known to many as the fastest sport on skates, but dictated by one goal: first to the bottom wins. It's challenging, fast, cold, hard, unique and action packed. Skaters hurtle down a steep ice canal four-at-a-time through challenging obstacles at speeds of more than 40mph (60km/h), jostling for a position. With only two riders going through to the next round, the competition is fierce.

### ARE THERE POINTS?

Points are awarded at each Red Bull Crashed Ice – Ice Cross Downhill World Championship event; from 1,000 points, for 1st place, down to 0.5 points, for 100th place. The points obtained at all four races are then added together after the final event to determine the winner of the Red Bull Crashed Ice – Ice Cross Downhill World Championship 2015. Every race counts. New this year, there will be four additional races in a smaller circuit called “The Rider’s Cup” where additional points will be up for grabs.

### WHAT’S THE RIDER’S CUP?

The Riders Cup competition is designed to make the sport of ice cross downhill more accessible to even more athletes worldwide. It doubles the number of events this year to eight, with athletes also able to earn World Championship points at the four additional events. The Top riders are currently developing the sport further – some of them have created their own tracks in partnership with local ski resorts and partners. Competitions on these tracks are attracting more and more participants, and the performance level has reached already top level. Four of these “from riders for riders” events have absolutely qualified to become part of the Red Bull Crashed Ice Downhill World Championship.

Those participating in the four Riders Cup events, which were added by popular demand, will be able to earn up to 25 percent of the points awarded at the four major Red Bull Crashed Ice stops. All Riders Cup events together = 100% of one Red Bull Crashed Ice.

### Rider Cup Event Schedule:

January 18: Riders Cup Hastings, MN (USA)

January 31: Riders Cup Wagrain (AUT)

February 14: Riders Cup Jyväskylä (FIN)

March 7: Riders Cup Sherbrooke, QC (CAN)

### HOW WILL THE WORLD CHAMPION BE DETERMINED?

Qualifiers will be held across the country to determine the top participants demonstrating the best skating skill, agility, strategy and strength. Competitors will earn points for the world ranking at each race. The World Champion will be the athlete with the most points after the last event. At the finale in Edmonton, there will be one male champion and one female champion of the race in addition to one champion of the series.

### WHAT ABOUT THE TRACK?

A custom built 1,410 ft urban ice track will be riddled with a 48ft start ramp, hairpin turns, big-air jumps, step-ups, drop-offs, obstacles and gaps. Encompassing a downhill battle where athletes can reach speeds of more than 40 MPH.

## IS THERE A WOMEN'S DIVISION?

Yes! In 2015, there will be a full women's competition in Saint Paul, featuring the fastest 16 female athletes that qualified at one of the four pre-event qualifiers, the Afton Alps Rider's Cup race or the Holiday Online Wildcard.

## ABOUT THE ATHLETES

### HOW ARE ATHLETES RANKED?

Athletes ranked first to fourth for each particular event are allocated positions according to their place in the final heat. Athletes ranked fifth to eighth are ranked according to their place in the small final. All remaining athletes are ranked according to the round in which they were eliminated.

**WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?** Athletes - male or female, amateur or pro - from a variety of disciplines including hockey, downhill skiing, speed skating and boarder cross can register for Red Bull Crashed Ice. Visiting [www.redbullcrashedice.com](http://www.redbullcrashedice.com) will provide a competitor with necessary entry details.

### Registration openings:

**Chicago** November 12, 2014 – December 4, 2014  
**Denver** November 12, 2014 – December 10, 2014  
**Saint Paul** November 12, 2014 – December 12, 2014  
**Duluth** November 12, 2014 – December 26, 2014

If the number of participants exceeds the registration limit – between 50 and 200, depending on the qualifier, participants may enter into the lottery. To enter into a lottery for a chance to win a spot for a Red Bull Crashed Ice Qualifier, athletes must be 18 years old. Athletes will sign a disclaimer before heading down the start ramp. No athlete shall be allowed to start without having produced a signed disclaimer.

### WHO ARE THE RED BULL CRASHED ICE PAST WINNERS?

#### 2014

Helsinki, FIN Marco Dallago (AUT)  
Saint Paul, USA Marco Dallago (AUT)  
Moscow, RUS Cameron Naasz (USA)  
Quebec City, CAN Marco Dallago (AUT)

#### 2013

Quebec City, CAN Arttu Pihlainen (FIN)  
Lausanne, SUI Cameron Naasz (USA)  
Landgraaf, NED Derek Wedge (SUI)  
Saint Paul, USA Kyle Croxall (CAN)  
Niagra Falls, CAN Kyle Croxall (CAN)

#### 2012

Quebec City, CAN - Arttu Pihlainen (FIN)  
Are, SWE - Adam Horst (CAN)  
Valkenburg, NED - Kyle Croxall (CAN)  
Saint Paul, USA - Kyle Croxall (CAN)

#### 2011

Quebec City, CAN Arttu Pihlainen (FIN)  
Moscow, RUS Arttu Pihlainen (FIN)  
Valkenburg, NED Arttu Pihlainen (FIN)  
Munich, GER Kyle Croxall (CAN)

#### 2010

Quebec City, CAN Kyle Croxall (CAN)  
Munich, GER Martin Niefnecker (GER)

#### 2009

Lausanne, SUI Jasper Felder (SWE)  
Prague, CZE Miikka Jouhkainen (FIN)  
Quebec City, CAN Arttu Pihlainen (FIN)

#### 2008

Quebec City, CAN Arttu Pihlainen (FIN)  
Davos, SUI Miikka Jouhkainen (FIN)

**2007**

Quebec City, CAN Kevin Olson (CAN)  
Helsinki, FIN Kevin Olson (CAN)

**2006**

Quebec City, CAN Gabriel Andre (CAN)

**2005**

Prague, CZE Jasper Felder (SWE)

**2004**

Moscow, RUS Jasper Felder (SWE)  
Duluth, Minnesota, USA Jasper Felder (SWE)

**2003**

Duluth, Minnesota, USA Jasper Felder (SWE)

**2001**

Klagenfurt, AUT Jasper Felder (SWE)  
Stockholm, SWE Jasper Felder (SWE)

## ABOUT RED BULL CRASHED ICE-SAINT PAUL

**WHERE AND WHEN WILL RED BULL CRASHED ICE – SAINT PAUL AIR?**

This year we are happy to announce that we will be featured on FOX Sports. You can tune in and watch the Red Bull Crashed Ice competition in St. Paul on FOX Sports on January 25 at 4:00PM EST. The Saint Paul race will then re-air on January 26 on FOX Sports I. Check your local listings for airtime.

The rest of the series will be broadcasted on Fox Sports I, dates and details to be released soon.

For more information on all the global series:

- RED BULL AIR RACE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ([www.redbullairrace.com](http://www.redbullairrace.com))
- RED BULL CRASHED ICE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ([www.redbullcrashedice.com](http://www.redbullcrashedice.com))
- RED BULL X-FIGHTERS ([www.redbullxfighters.com](http://www.redbullxfighters.com))
- The RED BULL CLIFF DIVING WORLD SERIES ([www.redbullcliffdiving.com](http://www.redbullcliffdiving.com))

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**WHAT IS RED BULL MEDIA HOUSE?**

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**DID SOMEONE MENTION TICKETS?**

Red Bull Crashed Ice is free and open to the public.

**CAN I BRING CHAIRS OR UMBRELLAS?**

Outside chairs and umbrellas cannot be brought into Red Bull Crashed Ice.

**CAN I BRING FOOD OR BEVERAGE?**

Outside food and beverage cannot be brought into Red Bull Crashed Ice. Food trucks will be lined up on John Ireland Boulevard as well as College Avenue.

**WHEN DOES THE RED BULL CRASHED ICE COMPETITION END?**

The Red Bull Crashed Ice team competition finals on Friday night will end at 8:30 PM and the final championship round will end Saturday night at 9:00 PM.

**IS THERE A DRESS CODE?**

As Red Bull Crashed Ice is an outdoor competition, please dress appropriately for the winter weather.

**HOW CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION ON THE LATEST EVENT UPDATES AND HAPPENINGS AROUND SAINT PAUL?**

For breaking event news and updates, you may follow @redbullMSP, @CrashedIce and #crashedice on Twitter or visit [www.redbullcrashedice.com](http://www.redbullcrashedice.com). A visitor guide, additional information, and traffic updates from the City of St. Paul Website can be accessed at <http://www.stpaul.gov/crashedice>.